Key Assumptions of the Draft Comprehensive Plan

Population annual growth rate of 1.5%

V	Lancaster County's Population			County Growth Rate
	•	2000	250,291	
	•	1990	213,641	* in the 1990's - 1.6 %
	•	1980	192,884	* in the 1980 's -1.0%
		1970	167,972	* in the 1970 's -1.4 %
				* over the past 20 years 1.31 %
				* over the past 30 years 1.34 %.
				* over the past 40 years 1.20 %.

- Add approximately 113,000 persons in County (including Lincoln) by 2025
- Add approximately 103,000 persons in Lincoln by 2025
- Add 42,560 more dwelling units in Lincoln by 2025
- Lincoln continues at approx. 90% of the County population
- Add 2,400 developed industrial acres -- an 86% increase (based 2.5% industrial employment growth rate)
- Add over 21 million occupied commercial square feet -- an 64% increase (based on 2% commercial employment growth rate)
- Over 83 square miles in Tier I and II for growth (double current city limits)
- More than 32 square miles total in Tier I for the year 2025.
- In Tier I approximately 23 square miles (14,720 acres) available for future development
- Based on assumption of 3 dwelling units per total acre in new growth areas (same as current density in new areas.)
- Population Density Per Square Mile in Lincoln

	Year	Area	Population	Persons Per Sq. Mile
•	1970	49.6	149,518	3,013
•	1980	59.5	171,932	2,892
•	1990	63.4	191,972	3,030
•	2000	75.3	225,581	2,997
	2025	120.1	327,306	2,725 (Projected)

In existing priority area, (not in Tier I) potential for approx. 16,800 dwelling units